

## Georgia's Pre-K Program Summer Transition Program

DECAL has the exciting opportunity to offer a six-week Summer Transition Program for 2012. The program is designed to support raising kindergarteners who either did not attend Georgia's Pre-K or Head Start, or attended but need additional support to be ready for Kindergarten next school year. The funding is targeted for children whose families are eligible for Child and Parent Services (CAPS) which is administered by the Department of Human Services. Unfortunately the funding for the program is limited; therefore, the application will be targeted for specific counties. Current Pre-K Providers in good standing and offering Pre-K services in these counties will be eligible to submit an application.

Targeted counties for the Summer Transition Program were chosen using a formula that included county Pre-K waiting list data, poverty rate for families with children under 18, unemployment rate, and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade CRCT reading scores.

An email with additional information was sent to providers with Pre-K sites in the targeted counties. The application will be available to these providers on March 16th. Timeline for submission will be within a two week window.

The 27 targeted counties are listed below:

Baldwin Bulloch Calhoun Chatham Clayton Clinch **DeKalb** Dougherty **Emanuel Fulton** Glynn Hart Jefferson Lowndes Macon Murray Muscogee **Polk** Randolph Richmond Screven **Spalding** Sumter **Toombs Twiggs** Wayne

Whitfield